



A REPLY TO THE TRANSLATED ARTICLE OF SUHAIB WEBB

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Some days before I came through an Article translated by Brother Suhaib Webb and I decided to make a clarification regarding the Article.

The famous topic of these days as we know Is Mawlid an Nabi (صلي الله عليه وسلم). This is the same thing about which Suhaib Webb posted an Article on his website. But what he posted was something which wasn't correct. The Author mentions that both those who celebrate Mawlid are good as well as those who don't.

I will try to answer his article Inshallah and try to clarify him his deviation.

Ibn Bayyah says:-

“The celebration of the birthday of the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) is an issue of controversy amongst the scholars.”

First of all we ask Suhail webb whom he thinks Scholars? If he thinks those who call themselves Baralvees, Muqalids etc. are scholars then we say that Muqalids are not Scholars as has been quoted by Imam Ibn Qayim in his book Alaam al Mawaqain. If he thinks that those who don't do Taqleed (follow blindly) are scholars then where is this big controversy among them regarding Mawlid?

He further adds:-

“This difference is traced back to a divergence concerning the division of innovation (bid'ah). Some scholars recognized the validity of such

innovations and this was, primarily, the school of Imam Al-Shafi'i (May Allah have mercy upon him) and the head of this thought was Al-'Izzi Adin Abdul Salam (May Allah have mercy upon him). In addition, Imam Al-Qarafi (May Allah have mercy upon him) who was a Maliki, carried this same opinion, giving it great attention, explaining it in an exhaustive manner. In his discussion Al-Qarafi (ra) expanded the concept of innovation to include innovations that were commendable, highly recommended, obligatory and a disliked nature. Thus, he divided innovation into five parts: (obligatory, recommended, permissible, disliked and forbidden)."

Response: - My dear brother what **types** of Innovations are you talking about to be good and bad when Prophet (صلي الله عليه وسلم) was recorded to have said:-

وَكُلُّ بَدْعٍ ضَلَالَةٌ

"Every Innovation is Misguidance" {Sahih Muslim Hadith: 1435}

وقال ابن عمر رضي الله عنهما " كل بدعة ضلالة وإن رآها الناس حسنة "

Abdullah Ibn Umar Said (رضي الله عنهما):- Every Innovation is Misguidance even though people think it to be **GOOD**.

{Kitab us Sunnah lil Imam Marwazi: 82 wa Sanaduhu Saheeh}

From above statements it is clear that even if a Bidah is good it is still misguidance.

Regarding innovation being obligation or recommended to prove it you have bring proof about it. Statement of one Scholar won't make it an obligation because Prophet (صلي الله عليه وسلم) Statement is always accepted while that of a person other than Prophet (صلي الله عليه وسلم) it can be accepted if he has proof and can be rejected if he don't have any proof.

Regarding the statement of Imam Qarafi al Maliki, I could'nt find his Tawtheeq in asma wa Rijal books of mine in order to check his authenticity so unless I know him I can't say anything about him.

Even if he is trustworthy, even then this statement of his is not correct.

He further says:-

“Whoever wants to celebrate the Prophet’s (sa) birthday should celebrate it...”

Now if you have given this ruling my brother we ask you to give your proof that it is allowed to do so. If you have any then where is it? If you aren’t having any then why are you misguiding people and trying to confuse Ummah under the banner of **unification**.

He further says:-

“Out of sincere love for the Prophet (Peace and blessing of Allah upon him), then, Allah willing, there is nothing wrong with this action and this person will be rewarded.”

O my brother I ask you isn’t the Sunnahs of Prophet (صلي الله عليه وسلم) sufficient for you to come close to him and to prove that we love him or is it that you believe what Prophet has come with is not sufficient?

Think for a moment can that thing be rewarded which wasn’t practiced by Prophet (صلي الله عليه وسلم) neither His Suhaba neither by Tabioon?

Then what does the statement of Allah mean: -

“This day, I have perfected your religion for you, completed My Favor upon you, and have chosen for you Islaam as your religion.”

{Soorah Al-Maa’idah 5:3}

We think Deen is complete. But your statements show us that Deen is not complete it needs new things like Mawlid etc.

{Note: - I don’t have too much time refute all his claims so I am cutting short}

He writes in the last Para:-

“But, this respect and consideration for differences is guided by the fact that both opinions are based on proofs from Islamic Law.”

We ask you brother what does Islamic Law (Sharia) mean to you? is it that the statement of two Scholars is Sharia. We reject your claim that both are mentioned in Sharia as there is no Evidence of celebrating Mawlid as they do today. So we ask you where your evidences are. It's an awful site to see of yours that under the banner of Unity you are giving places for Innovations. Talking of Unity then let me tell you in order to get united we need to throw all these innovations and work on Quran and Sunnah. The only way to Unification is Quran and Sunnah.

At the end he says:-

“In conclusion, our stance is that both are on goodness...”

We ask you if celebrating Mawlid was good do you think that the best of All the generation i.e Sahaba would have left this Good. Correct your Creed as you have went away from truth. Think before giving a ruling because on the Day of Judgment its darkness will come to you.

{Note: - To see whether Mawlid is Good or not See My Note

[“Debate between Albani and Milad Supporter”](#)

http://www.facebook.com/note.php?note_id=177212262323971}

{Note:- To my knowledge there is no Scholar who has Praised Suhaib Webb or bin Bayyah rather a Jarrah against them has come to me and it is from Brother Sajid Qayum He comments about them:- “bin bayyah is a deviated person who twists hadeeth - May Allah save the Muslims from him and suhaib webb likewise plays every side. They are a **fitnah**}

Ibn bayyah also mentions statements of Imam Sayouti regarding Mawlid. Imam Sayouti is known as Hatib ul Lail near scholars of Hadith because he used to collect everything in His books Sahih as well as Mawdhu. So it won't be fair enough to call his statement as Sharia (Islamic Law).

He (ibn bayyah) also quoted Ibn Taimiyah in support of Mawlid and gave in evidence following words of Ibn Taimiyah:-

“Indeed, such a person will be rewarded because of his intention.”

This is Indeed among the worst of lies because there is no word of Imam Ibn Taimiyah as has been translated rather the real words of Ibn Taimiyah are:-

وكذلك ما يحدثه بعض الناس إما مضاهاة للنصارى في ميلاد عيسى عليه السلام وإما محبة للنبي صلى الله عليه وسلم وتعظيماً له والله قد يثيبهم على هذه المحبة والاجتهاد لا على البدع

Translation: - “And like that, what some people have innovated, be it out of analogy to the Christians in the birth of ‘Eesa or be it out of love for the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) and honor for him and Allah, they may be rewarded for this love and ijtihaad, not for the innovation.”

See how much difference between his translation is. They (Suhaib Webb & Ibn Bayah) have deviated from the Straight Path. May Allah protect us from their Fitnah and Guide them.

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